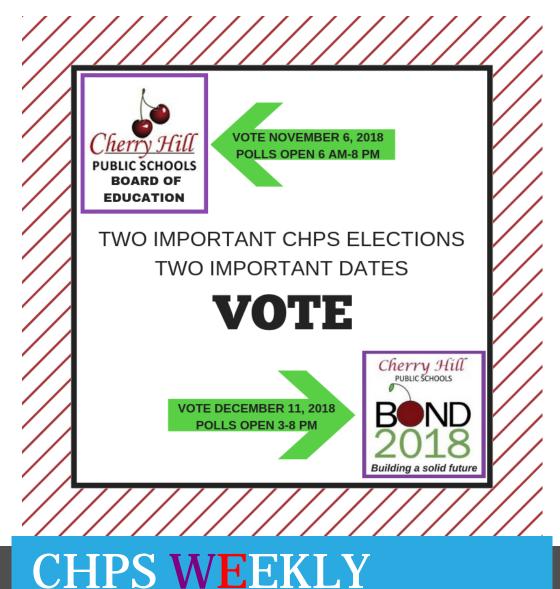
A message from Dr. Joseph Meloche, Superintendent, Cherry Hill Public Schools.





District News for the week ending November 2, 2018

# Vote!

#### The Board of Education Election is this Tuesday, November 6. Your vote is your Voice.

Happy November! I was thrilled to wrap up the month of October with the annual Halloween visit of Kingston 5th graders, who trick-or-treated at the Malberg Administration Building on the morning of October 31. Our employees at Malberg look forward to this tradition every year, as they get to visit with those who benefit from their work – our students! It's always a lighthearted event, demonstrating the creativity and enthusiasm not only of the children, but of the Kingston staff. This year, Principal Dr. Bill Marble and the Kingston teachers dressed as the "Kingston Construction Crew"! I would like to thank them for safely walking the students through the neighborhood to Malberg and back to Kingston. The event was truly a treat!

Now our community turns its attention to Election Day, this Tuesday, November 6. While many have cast their ballots early via mail, I am one who enjoys going to my polling place and casting my ballot in person. This year, 11 candidates are vying for 3 seats on the Cherry Hill Board of Education. I encourage you, if you haven't already, to become informed about those running. <u>Biographies submitted by the candidates, and posted unedited, are available on the District web site.</u> Additionally, the video of the Candidates Forum held on October 10 is available on our <u>YouTube Channel</u>. I look forward to seeing my fellow community members at the polls! <u>A list of polling places by district</u> is available on the CHPS District web site. Your Vote is truly your Voice!

Don't forget, a Special Election is coming up on December 11 for the Bond Referendum, with polls open that day from 3-8 pm. For those who are unfamiliar with what a bonds are, they are a way for school districts to raise money – which they then must pay back over a period of years – typically to finance

#### UPCOMING EVENTS

## Policy & Legislation Committee Meeting

November 5 @ 6 pm James Johnson Elementary School Library/Media Center 500 Kresson Rd

#### Curriculum & Instruction Committee Meeting

November 5 @ 7 pm James Johnson Elementary School Library/Media Center 500 Kresson Rd

## ELECTION DAY

November 6

## Business & Facilities Committee Meeting

November 7 @ 6 pm Joyce Kilmer Elementary School Library/Media Center 2900 Chapel Ave

#### Strategic Planning Committee Meeting

November 7 @ 7 pm Joyce Kilmer Elementary School Library/Media Center 2900 Chapel Ave

## SCHOOLS CLOSED

November 8 & 9

building projects or other capital projects. Although we and the administrators, Board of Education members, and concerned citizens of the community before us have vigorously sought the funding we are owed from the state for decades, our lack of state funding has forced us to make tough choices. We have chosen to maintain small classes, important programs and quality staff. What little money has been left, even after using grant funding, has not been enough to fully cover our needed facilities improvements. We continue to fight to secure our fair share of funding, but even when we finally receive the \$29 million we should annually, our needs will far exceed those funds. I encourage you to visit our **Bond 2018: Building a Solid** Future page on the District web site for information about the Bond, including projects listed by school, frequently asked questions, and a tax impact calculator to estimate the effect of the Bond on your property taxes. The Bond 2018 page is updated regularly, so be sure to check back in the coming weeks for additional information. I also would be happy to speak to any group in the community, no matter how large or small, about the Bond. Please contact my administrative assistant, Janet Cohen, at jacohen@chclc.org to make arrangements.

Please continue to stay informed, not only via this weekly e-newsletter, but by following us on Facebook, <u>Twitter</u> and <u>Instagram</u>. Subscribe to our <u>YouTube</u> <u>Channel</u>. Download the free District App from the App Store or Google Play. Attend our Board meetings listed at right and on the <u>District Events Calendar</u>. Come out to the Bond 2018 Community Meetings, linked from the <u>Bond 2018 button</u> on the District web site. Please be sure to submit your questions to <u>publicinfo@chclc.org</u>, or via our <u>Quick Question portal</u>. Questions and answers are posted for the public.

Remember that voting is a right for which many have fought. It is a right which many in our country did not have during relatively recent history. Be sure to honor the struggles of those who fought so hard for that right. Vote! It is your opportunity to make your voice heard, and to make a difference and to show our children how valuable this right is for each and every one of us.

One other note: Don't forget to turn back your clocks on Sunday, November 4, as we return to Standard Time. And enjoy that extra hour of sleep!

Continue to share your smiles and your kindness with

#### Board of Education Work Session

November 13 @ 7 pm Malberg Administration Building

#### Board of Education Action Meeting

November 27 @ 7 pm Malberg Administration Building those whom you see.

Regards,

## Joe Meloche

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Superintendent, Cherry Hill Public Schools



## All CHPS Schools Receive Books from Subaru

Subaru of Cherry Hill on Monday, October 29, 2018 made a donation of 155 science-themed books to the Cherry Hill Public Schools.

A ceremony representing the donation took place at Rosa International Middle School, where students and administrators, pictured above, were on hand to receive the books. The books have been distributed to all of the schools in the District.

The donation is part of the "Subaru Loves Learning" initiative.



## Student Newspaper Wins 10th Straight Title

Congratulations to the staff of Eastside, Cherry Hill High School East's student newspaper, won the New Jersey Distinguished Journalism Award on October 29, 2018. The award is given to the school newspaper that accumulates the most points in the 12 individual categories. *Eastside* took first place in six of the 12 categories, in addition to a number of second, third and honorable mention awards. *Eastside* also won the Overall Excellence Award for the highest score according to the state rubric.

In a separate contest, Eastside Online finished in the top three for the Online Distinguished Journalism Award and for the Online Excellence Award.

Individual wins are listed online.



### Deadline Extended for West Vex Robotics Grant Vote

Voting has been extended until November 3, 2018 to help realize a \$2,500 grant for Cherry Hill West's Vex Robotics program. Mr. Kris Broadbelt has submitted a Proposal to Farmers Insurance Thank America's Teachers grant program and it's up to the community to rally together and vote him to victory!

Everyone may vote once a day now through November 3, 2018. Go to https://www.farmers.com/thankamericas-teachers/vote-for-a-teacher/ Once on the site, scroll down and select the \$2,500 grant click the red VOTE button.

Scroll to SEARCH FOR PROPSAL -Enter "Broadbelt" - "Cherry Hill" - "New Jersey"

The Kristopher Broadbelt Icon will appear - Click on it.

Enter your email, then hit submit. You'll receive an email from Farmers Insurance Thank America's Teachers to confirm your vote. You may vote once a day from each of your email accounts!

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